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## EDITORIAL

### PUBLIC PARK.

That the citizens of Cimarron are waking up to the fact that they must get together and every one do his part in making Cimarron what it should be, is evidenced by the sudden interest taken in beautifying the city park. It seems to the Citizen that this is one of the most promising signs of the time, and it rejoices greatly. As appears elsewhere in this issue, something is stirring in the park. It will be beautified, and what is especially pleasing is the fact that it will be done, not by the Cimarron Townsite company, alone, but by public spirited persons who are going to give freely of their time, labor and money. This is indeed encouraging, and it brings out a fact that the Citizen has insisted existed, namely, that Cimarron is peopled with an enterprising, pushing, public-spirited class of men, men with intelligence enough to know that by advancing the interests of the public generally they thereby advanced their own interests. Let us say it again. All we need is to get together. We can do things, and do them right if we want to, and now it seems as if the beginning of "team work" is at hand. Let the good work go on.

Without wishing to make any reflections on what has been done in the past, because we all realize that great difficulties have been overcome, and that an immense amount of labor has been destroyed by unlooked for and unpreventable causes, the Citizen would like to draw a contrast between the appearance of the park as it has been and as it will be. Formerly as one stepped off the train, his eye was met by a grassless and treeless expanse of nothing, where he had been told the city park lay. Some effort had been made to plant trees and do other things that would in time make a park, but loose stock had undone everything that had been attempted. It was a dismal failure, and not because care and work had been lacking, so much as for the reason that it was impossible to do what was needed to be done. We now have water where it can be used, and public-spirited men to use it. A definite plan has been adopted, and in a few years, we will have a first class little park that we can be proud of. When one steps off the train this summer, his eyes will be delighted with a nicely fenced plat of green grass. In the center will be a little lake, and scattered around in the enclosure will be trees that in a few years will be throwing welcome shade from the heat of the summer's sun. Oh, it is fine! And what is more, it is not a dream, but a reality. Let us get together and combine the good work. Why stop at the park? Why not combine all over town? Everyone take it upon himself to improve his own property and his own street, and make of Cimarron one of the prettiest places in the whole southwest. We can do it, and it now begins to look as if we are going to make a joint effort to do so. Don't let the movement drop through.

### THE BRIDGE.

Last fall Colfax county built a fine reinforced concrete bridge over the Cimarron river at Cimarron, and the citizens of Cimarron gladly took a hand and did the grading necessary to put the bridge in good condition. The river bed was changed, and long approaches were graded up, every thing being put in good shape. But constant travel and the high winds reduced the earth and sand on top of the drive way to such an extent that the top of the concrete arches are now in view. The heavy traffic is going over the bare concrete in spots, and it will not be long before this sort of treatment does serious damage to the structure. The Citizen does not pretend to say who should fix this defect, but it knows that it should be fixed. A few wagon loads of earth, placed in the proper place would remedy the matter. If it is the place of the county commissioners to repair the bridge, they should get after the work before more damage is done. If it is the place of the road commissioners, why not bring it to their attention,

If it is no one's duty then some owner of a team would show his public spirit by attending to this matter. It is but a small matter to repair the drive way, but it should be attended to at once.

The Grand Jury at Raton has been having a merry time returning indictments. One of the indicted councilmen of Raton, was sitting on the grand jury that returned an indictment against himself. The Citizen does not understand that the members of the Raton City Council were charged with receiving any personal benefits from the tax imposed upon the denizens of the red light district, but merely with having, as a council, imposed a tax and forced collection of moneys that was not rightfully imposed or collected under the law. But be that as it may, the position of the councilman-juror was most unique. We will not now be surprised to learn of the grand jury returning an indictment against itself as a body for having overlooked some one during its sittings.

The Raton Range in commenting on the action of the grand jury relative to the Tenderloin district of Raton, and the practices that have been carried on there, uses some most laudible and forceful language in describing the conditions that have existed. The range is to be congratulated in calling a spade a spade in its effort to adequately describe the heinous conditions of what it calls "Hell's Half Acre." The attitude of the Range in this matter was thoroughly set forth, and is in every respect one that will be for the betterment of Raton. A few more hard hitting articles of that sort will have a great tendency to make people afraid to do anything other than what is right, even if they care ever so little for publicity and public respect.

### WHAT OTHERS THINK ABOUT TREES

Our Dawson correspondent sends us the following clipping which shows what others think about the proposition of planting trees around a town or city. The Carrizozo Outlook evidently knows that trees are a potent factor in advancing the value of property by making a city a thing of beauty:

#### The Value of Trees.

From Carrizozo (N. M.) Outlook. One man-servant in the Estancia valley celebrates the coming of the finches each year by giving away 500 strong American white elm seedlings, one to a family, scattering them over three towns. The only condition he imposes is that the recipient of each tree promises to take proper care of it. That's a mighty good way to serve the Lord by helping Him finish the world.—El Paso Herald.

"Pshaw, brother, it wasn't a nurseryman at all. It was John W. Corbett, the longest headed real estate man in the southwest. He knows how much plenty of trees add to the value of land, and his example could be followed to advantage by every anxious boomer in the territory. "These trees once more."

### HISTORY OF CRIPPLE CREEK STRIKES

Madison, Wis., April 13.—A new and unprejudiced account of the Colorado labor disturbances has just been published by the University of Wisconsin in a bulletin in the economics and political science series, entitled, "The Labor History of the Cripple Creek District" by Dr. Benjamin K. Rastall. This monograph is the result of several years of investigation by the author at the scene of these labor difficulties. Dr. Rastall, who has been a graduate student in economics at the University of Wisconsin, and is now economic expert for the New York department of labor, was in Colorado during the strike of 1903-04, and spent the summer of 1905 in Teller county, completing investigations for his monograph. The material was obtained for his work through interviews, over 300 in number, with men in a position to have intimate knowledge of various phases of the difficulties, and

from state documents and labor union records. The monograph which is called "A study in industrial evolution," aims to show the conflict between capital and labor when they are practically isolated from the rest of the world.

### DIES OF BURNS.

Glenwood Springs, April 13.—Leola Coulter, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Coulter, who was burned while playing around a bonfire on Lookout Mountain yesterday, died tonight of her injuries.

### KILLED BY A FALL.

Pueblo, April 13.—Wm. Lewis colored, fell forty feet from the cupola of the C. F. & I. mill this afternoon sustaining injuries from which he died later. His skull was fractured and he received internal injuries.

### EXPLOSION IN GARAGE.

Denver, April 13.—An explosion of gasoline in the automobile garage at Court Place this afternoon set fire to the building and caused a loss of \$1,500.

## MURDERED IN SLEEP

Husband, Wife and Babe Victim of Unknown Assassin

Fort Worth, Texas, April 13.—M. F. Gerrill, construction foreman for the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad at Waukeg and his wife were probably fatally wounded and their infant child dangerously hurt by two unknown men while asleep in their bedroom early today.

Two older children, who occupied an adjoining room, were aroused by the crying of the infant, and upon the children entering their parents' room the men fled.

Officers and physicians from Fort Worth were hurried to the scene on a special train, finding Gerrill and his wife unconscious, with their heads crushed. The infant also had been severely beaten about the head and face.

The crime is believed to have been committed by negroes for the purpose of robbery.

### CHURCH ITEMS.

The regular services of the Methodist church of Cimarron took place last Sunday. The subject of the morning address was "A Christian's Confidence in God," while that of the evening was "Lot's Choice."

#### Church Stewards Meet.

The Board of Church Stewards of the Methodist Episcopal church met last Sunday afternoon at the church and transacted considerable business. The board consists of Dr. Masten G. W. Neil, Mrs. Chandler, Mrs. Crocker, Mrs. Ogilvie and Mrs. Hunter. At this meeting, the estimate and assessment for the year were presented, and it was found that there was a deficiency of \$500.00 of the Pastor's salary. It was found that there was a deficiency of \$500.00 of the Pastor's salary.

The board further decided to hold big revival meetings here in Cimarron about the first of June, and the church will from now on devote a great deal of time and energy in preparing for the occasion. The board authorized Rev. J. Alfred Morgan, to select some man of eminence to conduct the meetings and he will endeavor to do so while he is at Conference, which will be held at Texico on April 29th.

The board further decided that the church would give a big church supper at the place of worship next Friday evening, beginning at 5 o'clock and continuing until everything gives out.

Instead of the regular services next Sunday evening, a special Easter Entertainment will be held and all are cordially invited to attend. The entertainment will consist of speaking, special song service and special music.

### NOTICE.

Messrs. Duckworth & Marling having sold the Oxford Hotel to Messrs. Pooler & Kershner, wish to thank the public at large for the kind patronage they have received in the past. They further wish to state that all bill contracted previous to and including March 18th, either owing by or due them, belong to the old firm of Duckworth & Marling. Those due are now payable at the Oxford Hotel, Cimarron, New Mexico.

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